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SUBJECT: ARGENTINA-PERU NUCLEAR AGREEMENT AND RESEARCH REACTOR
FUEL REPROCESSING

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1. FURTHER TO REFTEL (B), CNEA PRESIDENT CASTRO MADERO RAISBJ
SIMILAR POINTS WITH S&T COUNSELOR/ERDA SCIREP IN JUNE 3
MEETING HELD AT FORMER'S REQUEST.

2. RE THE CRITICAL FACILITY FOR PERU, CASTRO MADERO REITERATED
THE URGENCY AND STATED THAT FACILITY WAS SCHEDULED TO BE
COMPLETED BY MARCH 1978. HE NOTED THE OPTIONS OF PARA 5
REFTEL (B), BUT WITHOUT STRESSING ANY LIKELIHOOD OF PROCEEDING
WITHOUT U.S. APPROVAL. HE TERMED THE CONVERSATION AS ALSO
"UNOFFICIAL", HOWEVER. WE NOTED THAT WE WOULD HAVE TO AWAIT
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WASHINGTON'S INSTRUCTIONS, INDICATING THAT THESE HAD BEEN
REQUESTED FOLLOWING MEETING WITH GONZALEZ. WE ALSO
STATED THAT THE NECESSARY ARRANGEMENTS WOULD NOT REPEAT
NOT BE EASY, AND DREW ON PARA 2 REFTEL (A) TO CITE LACK
OF PROVISION TO COVER THIS IN U.S.--ARGENTINA BILATERAL
AND LACK OF A U.S.-PERU BILATERAL.

3. CASTRO MADERO ALSO NOTED LARGE QUANTITY OF SPENT RESEARCH REACTOR FUEL CNEA HAD ACCUMULATED AND ASKED IF THERE WAS POSSIBILITY FOR RETURNING IT TO U.S. WE REITERATED WHAT WE HAD TOLD GONZALEZ THAT WE UNDERSTOOD THIS MATTER WAS UNDER STUDY IN WASHINGTON. WE PROMISED TO LET HIM KNOW AS SOON AS ANY DECISIONS WERE REACHED. CASTRO MADERO TERMED ANY REPROCESSING AT EZEIZA AS BEING A LONG WAY OFF. HE APPEARED MUCH MORE INTERESTED IN POSSIBILITY FOR REPROCESSING IN U.S. OR IN A THIRD COUNTRY. HE NOTED THAT SOME OF THIS FUEL PERHAPS COULD BE RECYCLED TO HELP FILL FUTURE NEEDS OF RA-3 AND PERHAPS PERU.
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